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To: Chief, Research Division [redacted]

From: [redacted]

Subject: KING, Joseph Caldwell
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2. BACKGROUND: Subject is 49 years of age, and a native of New York. His parents were both native Americans. Subject's father was engaged for many years in the chemical manufacturing business in Bound Brook, New Jersey.

Subject has been twice married, and has three children by his first marriage. All three are between 19 and 21 years of age. Subject was reportedly divorced from his first wife 10 years ago. He married again in Uruguay in 1942. His present wife is a native of Hungary and is not a naturalized American citizen. He has two sons by this marriage, both minors. His wife was formerly a singer in a South American night club.

The Subject was a 1923 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. In 1925, he received a B.S. degree from Princeton University. Subject prepared for college at the Lawrenceville School in New Jersey, and subsequently studied in Paris in schools of political science and oriental languages.

He served briefly as a 2nd Lieutenant, Infantry, after his graduation from West Point and once more entered on active duty in June 1943, at which time he was assigned as Assistant to the Military Attache in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He was promoted to Lt. Colonel, AUS, on October 1944, and in February 1946, received an honorable discharge in the rank of Lt. Colonel. He holds a reserve commission as a Lt. Colonel, Military Intelligence Reserve.

The Subject claimed to have spent about a year after completing his education in mining exploration and development in Mexico and is known to have associated with his father in the management of King Chemical Company, Bound Brook, New Jersey for about two years.

In 1930 the Subject became associated with the Johnson and Johnson Company, pharmaceutical manufacturers with headquarters in New Brunswick, New Jersey. He has been employed continuously from that time in various capacities for the Argentine and Brazilian companies for Johnson and

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Johnson, as a special representative, and later Vice President and eventually President. This service was interrupted only by the period of time which he spent in the Army.

Subject is reported to be fluent in Portuguese, Spanish and Italian.

3. NOTEWORTHY FACTORS: A reference described the Subject as having a keen mind and being very competent in both planning and execution of anything he tackles. There is no question as to his loyalty, nor any indication that he subscribes to subversive doctrines.

Army records contain a reference to the Subject which was dated August 1943 and described him as being outspoken and inclined to be loose tongued, and that he attracts attention by his manner, and while drinking and holding conversation in public places, he has reportedly discussed particulars of his detachment's operations. His efficiency rating received as a result of his work in Argentina was "Superior."

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